BUREAU OF STATISTICS

PUBLIC SCHOOL ENROLLMENT

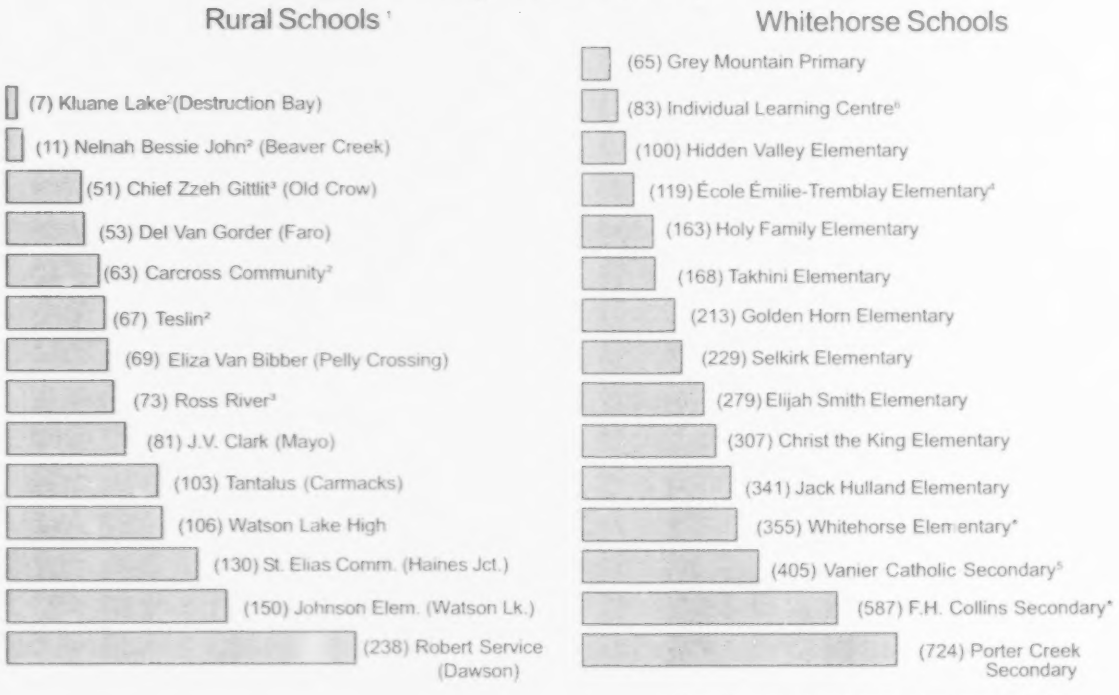
2005

Student enrollment in Yukon public schools (Kindergarten through Grade 12) has changed over the past ten years. Grade reorganization was implemented in 1996/1997, changing from a three-tier system to a two-tier system. The reorganization was completed with the end of the 1998/1999 school year. In addition, several new schools opened in Whitehorse in the early 1990's. This publication offers a brief summary of enrollment and graduation figures in the Yukon over a ten-year period, based on information received from the Yukon Department of Education. Please refer to footnotes at the end of this publication while using the data.

As of May 31st, 2005 there were 5,340 students enrolled in the Yukon public school system. This figure represents a decrease of 31 students, or 0.6% from the total enrollment as of May 31, 2004, and a decrease of 303 students, or 5.4%, compared to 1995 enrollment figures.

Enrollment in English school programs decreased 279 students (5.5%) from May 1995 to May 2005. French Immersion program enrollment decreased 10.5% (46 students) from May 1995 to May 2005, and École Émilie-Tremblay (French first language) showed an increase of 22 students (22.7%) over the same time period.

Enrollment by School, May 2005


Rural Schools [1]
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(279) Elijah Smith Elementary
(307) Christ the King Elementary
(341) Jack Hulland Elementary
(355) Whitehorse Elementary*
(405) Vanier Catholic Secondary[5]
(587) F.H. Collins Secondary*
(724) Porter Creek Secondary

* Includes English and French Immersion students.

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Enrollment by Grade, Yukon, May 1995 to May 2005

Note: RP = Resource Programs - students are currently included in general enrollment figures, and not separately identified.

	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
RP	61	70	75	61	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
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10	334	368	446	419	453	429	437	434	407	445	406
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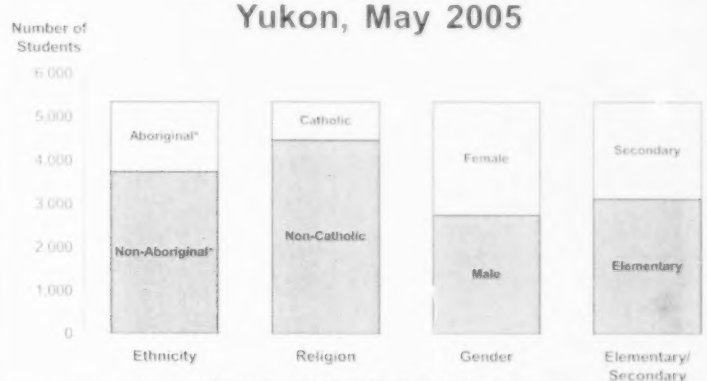

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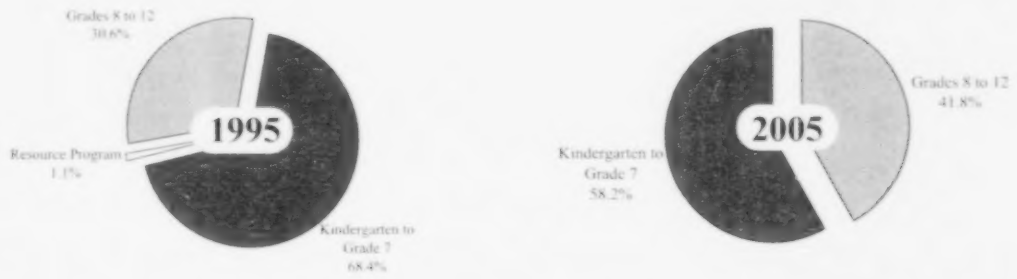

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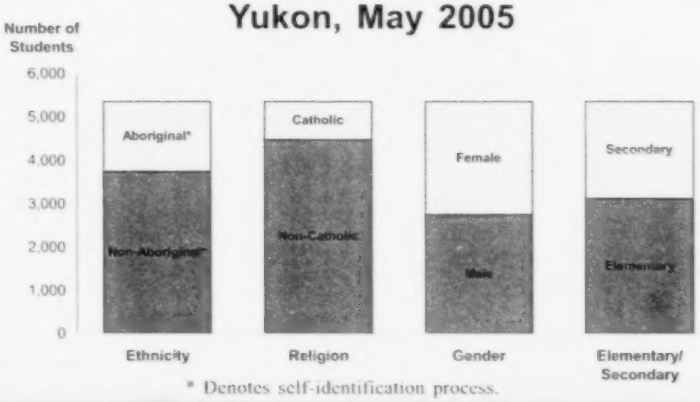

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Graduation Rates

Comparing the 2004/05 school year with the 1995/96 school year the following changes have occurred:

- Students with the "potential to graduate" increased from 214 in 1995/96 to 350 in 2004/05, an increase of 136, or 63.6%.
- The number of graduates increased from 181 in 1995/96 to 332 in 2004/05, an increase of 151, or 83.4%.
- The number of graduates as a percentage of those with the "potential to graduate" increased from 84.6% in 1995/96 to 94.9% in 2004/05, an increase of 10.3 percentage points.

	Grade 12 Enrollments*	Potential to Graduate**	Graduates	
			Number	% of Potential
2004/05	443	350	332	94.9%
2003/04	452	372	324	87.1%
2002/03	422	315	280	88.9%
2001/02	364	311	279	89.7%
2000/01	370	313	283	90.4%
1999/00	366	297	260	87.5%
1998/99	396	339	296	87.3%
1997/98	334	272	246	90.4%
1996/97	328	201	180	89.6%
1995/96	278	214	181	84.6%

* Grade 12 enrollment includes students who may have previously graduated and returned for additional courses.

** Any Grade 12 student who is registered for one or more courses during the school year (who has not already graduated), and who could possibly graduate. Possible graduation is based on final grades for courses finished prior to the next school year, and the assumption that the student will pass all the courses registered for the school year.

Enrollment by School, May 1995 to May 2005

	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
Nelnah Bessie John[2]	21	23	15	25	19	17	18	19	21	14	11
Carcross Community[2]	60	64	50	50	56	49	51	56	56	61	63
Chief Zzeh Gittlit[3]	44	57	60	64	49	66	57	51	47	45	51
Christ the King Elementary	198	210	215	246	312	315	298	286	345	338	307
Del Van Gorder	159	242	215	167	119	76	72	67	55	53	53
École Émilie-Tremblay Elementary[4]	97	99	112	110	107	115	120	124	110	115	119
Elijah Smith Elementary	212	221	302	250	240	226	211	224	240	247	279
Eliza Van Bibber	73	75	76	79	72	74	65	57	60	71	69
F.H. Collins Secondary	709	746	683	815	711	606	614	546	544	506	497
F.H. Collins Secondary Imm.	63	72	77	131	120	107	106	94	104	107	90
Golden Horn Elementary	215	231	287	299	284	294	280	256	243	227	213
Grey Mountain Primary	123	130	122	109	94	100	78	84	80	72	65
Hidden Valley Elementary	132	129	170	171	159	146	142	137	130	125	100
Holy Family Elementary	162	177	187	191	181	182	169	172	187	168	163
Individual Learning Centre[5]	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	83
J.V. Clark	92	96	99	99	101	100	103	95	97	88	81
Jack Hulland Elementary	486	459	516	497	488	466	431	386	402	372	341
Johnson Elementary	195	191	170	165	166	175	178	176	172	169	150
Kluane Lake[2]	5	6	6	6	13	6	9	9	6	8	7
Porter Creek Secondary	380	369	340	470	603	666	654	689	681	733	724
Riverdale Jr Secondary[7]	293	353	253	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Riverdale Jr Secondary Imm.[7]	101	99	63	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Robert Service	298	290	284	291	268	263	221	229	224	233	238
Ross River[2]	65	75	84	78	75	73	55	61	65	67	73
Selkirk Elementary	315	294	327	301	260	252	236	235	229	222	229
St. Elias Community	160	160	168	168	159	143	148	147	148	132	130
Takhini Elementary	168	188	247	225	221	223	223	216	206	197	168
Tantalus	102	96	102	99	101	95	101	102	102	86	103
Teslin[2]	56	70	54	51	54	50	54	67	66	66	67
Vanier Catholic Secondary[6]	158	233	284	388	427	441	463	448	402	402	405
Watson Lake High	97	101	98	94	93	98	89	88	97	99	106
Whitehorse Elementary	131	144	178	147	104	81	85	72	79	78	54
Whitehorse Elementary Imm.	273	277	310	300	265	246	248	239	268	270	301
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Definitions and Notes

Three-tiered	The three-tiered education system consisted of elementary (Kindergarten to Grade 6), junior high (Grades 7, 8 and 9), and senior high (Grades 10, 11 and 12).
Two-tiered	The two-tiered system is comprised of elementary schools covering Kindergarten through Grade 7 and secondary schools teaching Grades 8 through 12.
Primary	Offers Kindergarten through Grade 3.
Elementary	Offers Kindergarten through Grade 7.
Secondary	Offers Grade 8 through Grade 12.
RP	Resource Program. This program is available for students with special needs.
Imm.	French Immersion Program.

When using data contained in this publication it is important to note that, prior to the 1996/1997 school year, information was gathered from a variety of sources and systems. With the beginning of the 1996/1997 school year, the Student Information Management System (SIMS) was launched in order to electronically capture school-based information in a standardized format.

Footnotes

1 Unless otherwise stated by footnote, rural schools offer Kindergarten through Grade 12.

2 School offers kindergarten through Grade 9.

3 School offers kindergarten through Grade 10.

4 French first language school. A student's eligibility for enrollment is determined by Section 23 of *The Charter of Rights and Freedoms*.

5 School was renamed for the 1997/98 school year from Christ the King Junior Secondary to Vanier Catholic Secondary. At that time, they also moved into the Riverdale Junior Secondary facility. As of the 2001/02 school year, Grade 7 was moved to the elementary schools and Vanier now offers grade 8 through 12.

6 The Individual Learning Centre opened in February 2005 in downtown Whitehorse, for students who have dropped out and want to go back to a non-conventional school and learn at their own pace, and complete and graduate from high school.

7 Riverdale Junior Secondary school students merged with F.H. Collins at the end of the 1996/97 school year.

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